

Freedom of Information request 522-18

Request

I am writing this request regarding the Scottish Driving Assessment Service. Could each question please be answered for the following financial years (April-March): 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and the answers for each year given separately.

- Number of referrals received in the year?
- Number of referrals accepted?
- Number of referrals split by referrer? (e.g. GP, Consultant, DVLA, self-referral, occupational therapist etc.)
- Reason for referral? (e.g. Brain Injury, Stroke, Cerebral Palsy, physical disability etc.)
- Total number of discharges split by outcome? (e.g. discharged unseen, did not attend, completed assessment, referral not accepted etc.)
- Age of referrals? (0-18, 19-25, 26-45, 46-64, 65-80, 80+)
- Total income of the service?
- Split of total income between stakeholders? (e.g. Health Board, DVLA, DVSA, department of transport etc.)
- Average cost per patient that is referred to the service?
- Average cost for each of the following services: Full Driving Assessment, Off Road Only, On Road only, High Tech driving adaptations (including drive from wheelchair), Group 2 vehicle assessment (LGV & PSV), Motorcycle assessment, Driver/passenger access/seating assessment, Wheelchair/scooter loading assessment (including WAV), Electric wheelchair/scooter driving assessment, Driving tuition service (total pathway cost), Older driver improvement, Paediatric assessment for car seating (including restraints) and powered wheelchairs, HGV, Information and Advice, Postural support seating solutions for air travel
- Current breakdown of the NHS staff employed by the service?

Response

NHS Borders does not hold this data as this service is provided by the Southeast Mobility and Rehabilitation Technology on behalf of our area. Therefore under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this information may be available from SMART - <http://www.smart.scot.nhs.uk/driving-assessment> .

If you are not satisfied with the way your request has been handled or the decision given, you may ask NHS Borders to review its actions and the decision. If you would like to request a review please apply in writing to, Freedom of Information Review, NHS Borders, Room 2EC3, Education Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BS or foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk.

The request for a review should include your name and address for correspondence, the request for information to which the request relates and the issue which you wish to be reviewed. Please state the reference number **522-18** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

If following this review, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome, you may appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner and request an investigation of your complaint. Your request to the Scottish Information Commissioner should be in writing (or other permanent form), stating your name and an address for correspondence. You should provide the details of the request and your reasons for dissatisfaction with both the original response by NHS Borders and your reasons for dissatisfaction with the outcome of the internal

review. Your application for an investigation by the Scottish Information Commissioner must be made within six months of your receipt of the response with which you are dissatisfied. The address for the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner is, Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.